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REFTEL REPORTED THAT FMG BECOMING AWARE THAT IT CANNOT ALONE FUND NIGERIA'S DEVELOPMENT AND IS LOOKING INCREASINGLY TO PRIVATE INVESTMENT TO MAKE UP BALANCE. MORE EVIDENCE COMING IN WHICH SUPPORTS THIS OBSERVATION. FEDERAL COMMISSIONER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADEWOYE, SPEAKING FOR SECOND-RANKING MEMBER OF SMC YAR ADUA BEFORE MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION OF NIGERIA. STATE THAT THE GOVERNMENT WANTS TO LIMITE ITS PARTICIPATION IN PRODUCTION ACTIVITIES TO OIL FEINING, BASIC IRON AND STEEL MAKING, AND WEAPONS MANUFACTURE. WHILE ADEWOYE CONCEDED THAT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD STILL INVOLVE ITSELF IN CRITICAL SECTORS THAT HAVE NOT ATTRACTED ENOUGH PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENT, E.G. PUQLP AND PAPER, CEMENT AND SUGAR, HE URGED THAT PRIVATE ENTREPRENEURS TAKE A MORE ACTIVE ROLE ESPECIALLY IN INDUSTRIES, E.G. MANUFACTURE OF VEHICLE SPARE PARTS. WHICH THE GOVERNMENT HAD NO INTENTION FUNDING. **EASUM**

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